

MOM'S JOY ROOM

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CERTIFICATE OF DESCRIPTION & VALUATION

Chinese Carved Rosewood Jewelry & Music Box

CHINESE ROSEWOOD JEWELRY MUSIC BOX

Carved White Stone Panels, Brass Accents — Working Music Box



*Twin-Door Cabinet with Carved White Stone Panels
Brass Corner Mounts, Filigree Escutcheon, Lower Drawer, Working Music Box*

CURRENT MARKET VALUE

\$95 – \$225

*Vintage Chinese export jewelry box,
working music box mechanism*

Chinese Carved Rosewood Jewelry Box

Brass-Mounted, Carved White Stone Panels

Working Music Box Mechanism

DESCRIPTION

This jewelry box is a Chinese export cabinet-style piece with a deep red-lacquered rosewood body, twin cabinet doors set with carved white stone panels featuring a floral pierced-work design, and a lower drawer, all trimmed in ornate brass corner mounts, filigree hardware, and a decorative brass clasp and escutcheon. It houses a built-in music box mechanism, confirmed by Sandy to be in working order. Boxes of this style and construction were produced in substantial quantities for the export/tourist and gift market, primarily from the mid-20th century onward.

NOTABLE INFORMATION

- ♦ Construction: Rosewood-toned wood cabinet with brass mounts
- ♦ Door panels: Carved white stone, floral pierced design
- ♦ Hardware: Brass corner mounts, filigree clasp/escutcheon, lower drawer pull
- ♦ Music box: Confirmed working order
- ♦ Style: Chinese export cabinet-form jewelry box

♦ *"Carved-panel jewelry cabinets like this were popular Chinese export pieces throughout the mid-to-late 20th century, prized for their combination of lacquered wood,*

ornate brass hardware, and a hidden music box — practical jewelry storage doubling as a decorative music box for a vanity or dresser.” ♦

Honest Disclosure: The white carved panels are often marketed as “jade” on boxes of this type, but this material has not been tested or physically confirmed — many similar decorative panels are carved from bowenite, serpentine, marble, or other white ornamental stone rather than true nephrite or jadeite jade, and only laboratory or gemological testing can confirm the actual material. Likewise, while the piece has an antique appearance, cabinet-form jewelry/music boxes of this design and brass-mounting style were most commonly produced from roughly the 1960s–1980s as export/gift items rather than true antiques (100+ years old); no maker’s mark or date has been identified to confirm an earlier origin. This certificate values the piece as a vintage Chinese export jewelry/music box rather than as a verified antique or jade object. Comparable examples without a working music box have sold in the \$65–\$160 range; the confirmed working music mechanism supports valuing this example toward the middle-to-upper end of the stated range.

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